

V. REMARKS

The disclosure is objected to because of informalities. The disclosure is amended as indicated above to obviate the objection. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3 are rejected under 35 USC, second paragraph. Claim 2 which now incorporates the features of claim 1 is amended to obviate the objection. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 USC 102 (b) as being anticipated by Kaestner (U.S. Patent No. 4,059,952). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 is canceled and, as a result, the rejection as applied thereto is now moot.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

As indicated in the Office Action, claims 2 and 3 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the features of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 2 is amended in this manner and, as a result, is now in condition for allowance. Claim 3 depends from claim 2.

It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance over the prior art of record. Therefore, this Amendment is believed to be a complete response to the outstanding Office Action. Further, Applicants assert that there are also reasons other than those set forth above why the pending claims are patentable. Applicants hereby reserve the right to set forth further arguments and remarks supporting the patentability of their claims, including the separate patentability of the dependent claims not explicitly addressed herein, in future papers.

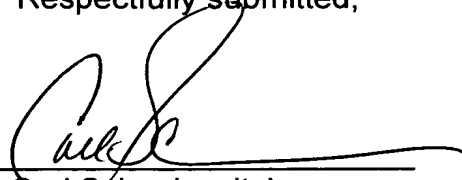
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same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 18-0013 for any such fees and Applicant(s) hereby petition for such extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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